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LOK SABHA

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TASK FORCE TO MAP FLOOD PRONE AREAS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any task force has been set up to map and zone flood-prone areas spread over 45 million hectares;

(b) if so, whether the task force has submitted its report to the Union Government;

(c) if so, whether the Government had implemented the recommendations of the task force in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) The Central Water Commission through Survey of India took up preparation of maps of identified flood prone areas in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Assam, and Jammu & Kashmir and an area of 54,740 sq. km. was surveyed. Subsequently, a Working Group was constituted by the Ministry of Water Resources during June 1999 to go into various aspects relating to maps prepared by the Survey of India in the field of water resources. Based on the report of the Working Group a scheme has been formulated by CWC for digitization and updating of these maps.